

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Holger RAUTH et al

Application No.: New Application

Filed: January 16, 2001

Attorney Dkt. No.: 100564-09050

For: PROCESS FOR THE ISOLATION AND/OR PURIFICATION OF A
PROTEINACEOUS MATERIAL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 16, 2001

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to the examination of this application,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 1, insert "This application claims the benefit of U.S.
Provisional Application No. 60/60/175,958, filed January 13, 2000."

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 1, delete "or 3".

Claim 6, line 1, delete "any of claims 1 to 5" and insert therefor --claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 1, delete "any of claims 1 to 7" and insert therefor --claim 1--.

Claims 9-12, 14 and 15, line 1 of each, delete "any of the preceding claims" and
insert therefor --claim 1--.

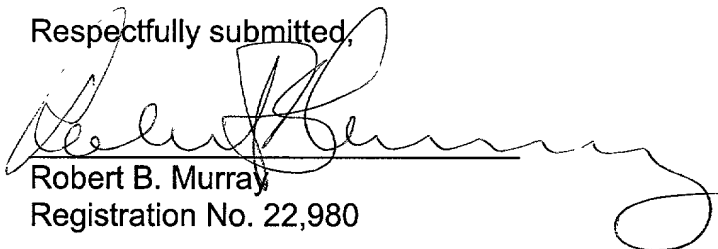
REMARKS

The above amendment to the claims has been made to correct the multiple dependency of the claims and to put the application in better condition for examination.

Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account

No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

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